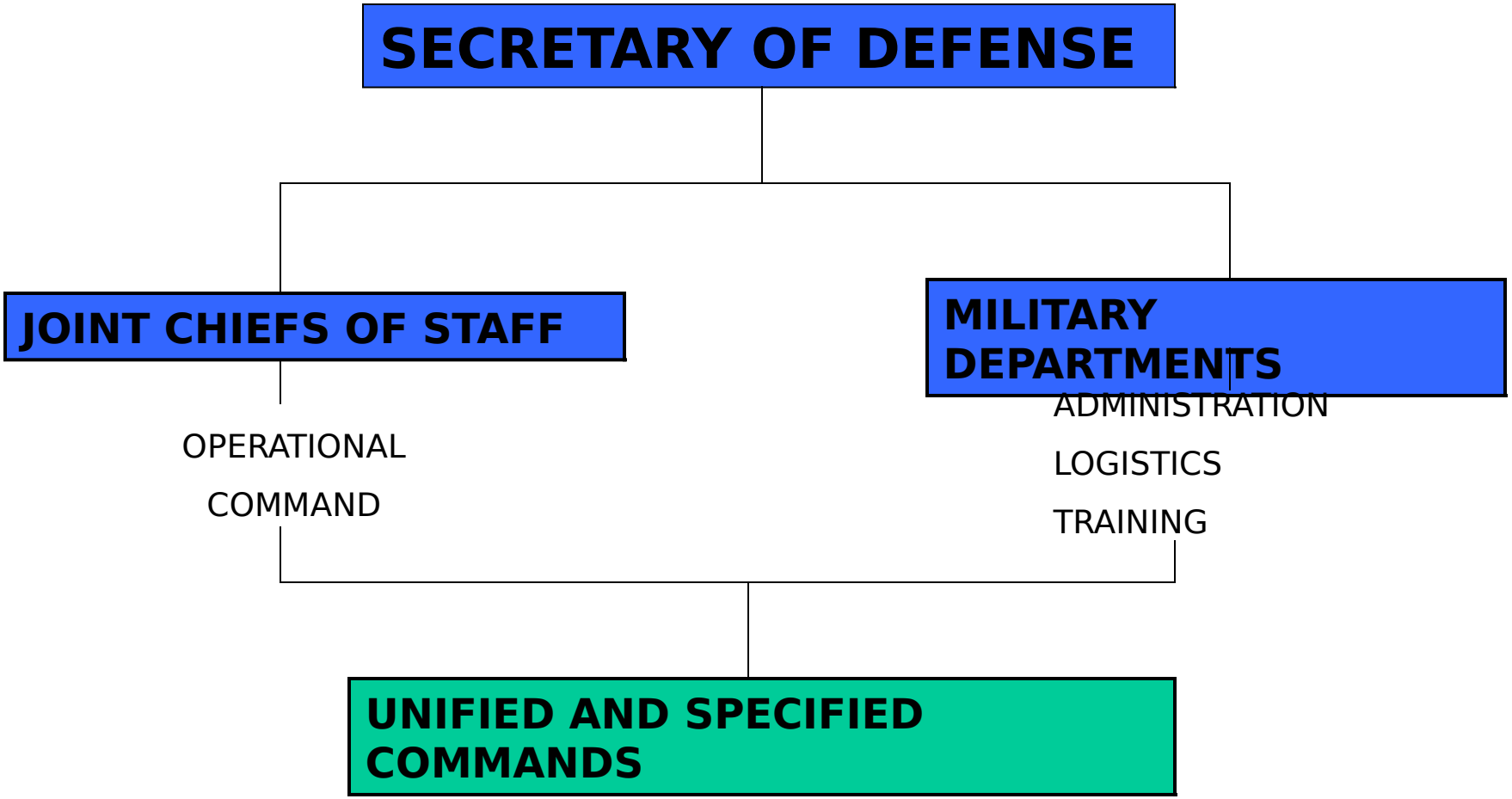
ORGANIZATION OF

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE



UNITED STATES NAVY

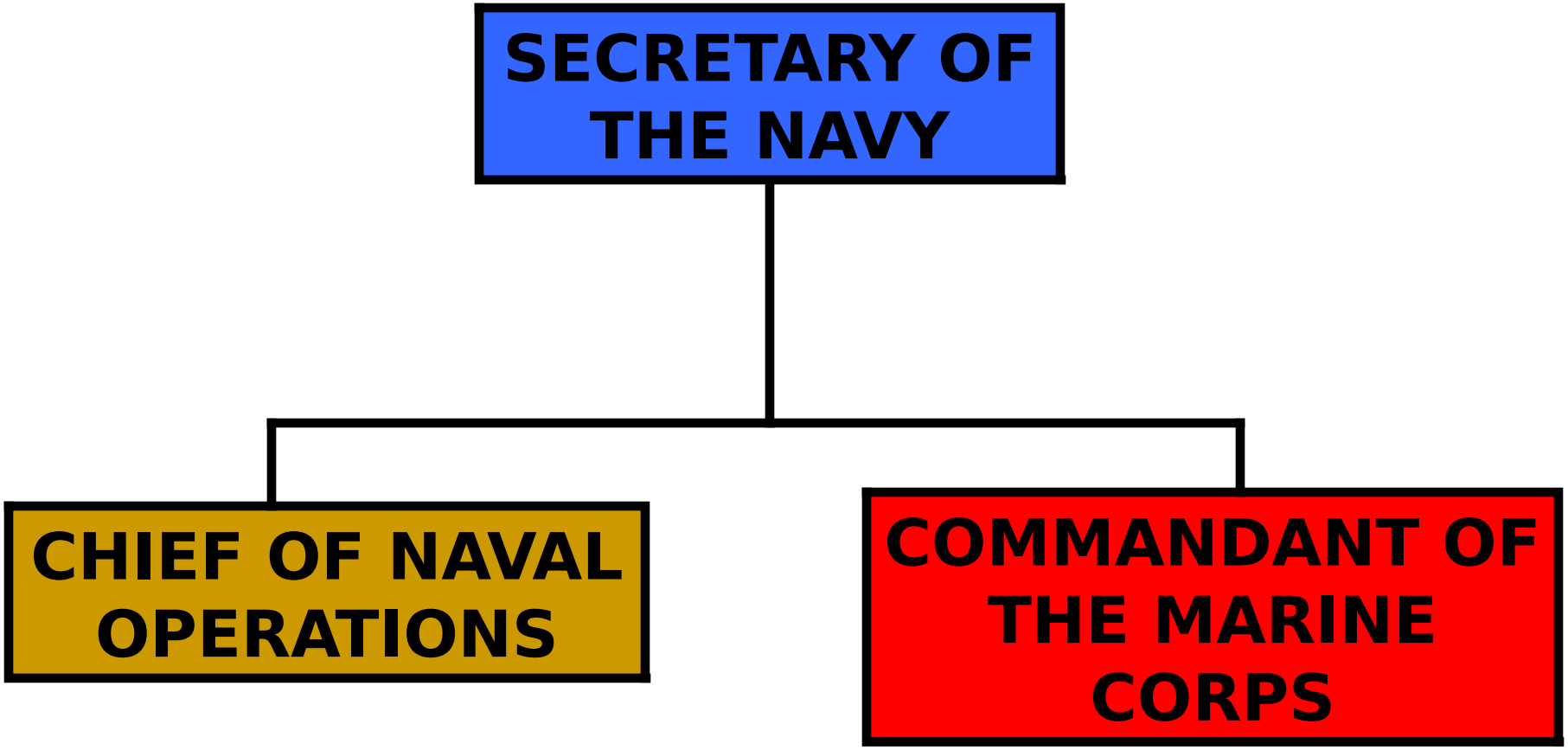
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

- CREATED IN 1798 BY ACT OF CONGRESS
- CONSISTS OF
  - THE NAVY DEPARTMENT
  - SHORE ACTIVITIES
  - OPERATING FORCES

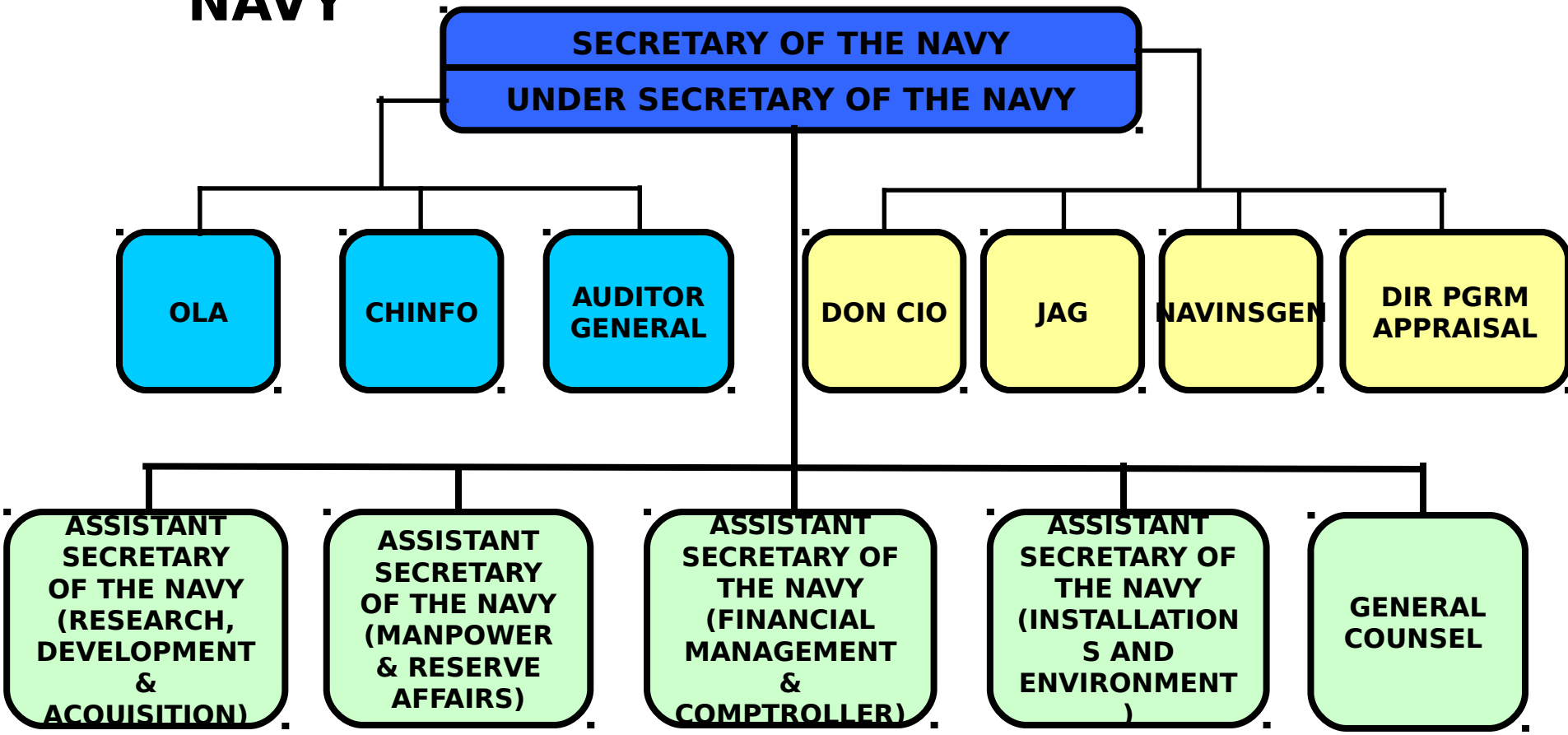
THE MISSION OF THE NAVY

TO ORGANIZE, TRAIN, EQUIP, PREPARE AND MAINTAIN THE READINESS OF THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS FORCES FOR PERFORMANCE OF MILITARY MISSIONS AS DIRECTED BY THE PRESIDENT OR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT & ACQUISITION)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (MANPOWER & RESERVE AFFAIRS)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT & COMPTROLLER)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (INSTALLATIONS AND ENVIRONMENT)
GENERAL COUNSEL

SOURCE: NAVY REGS, 1990
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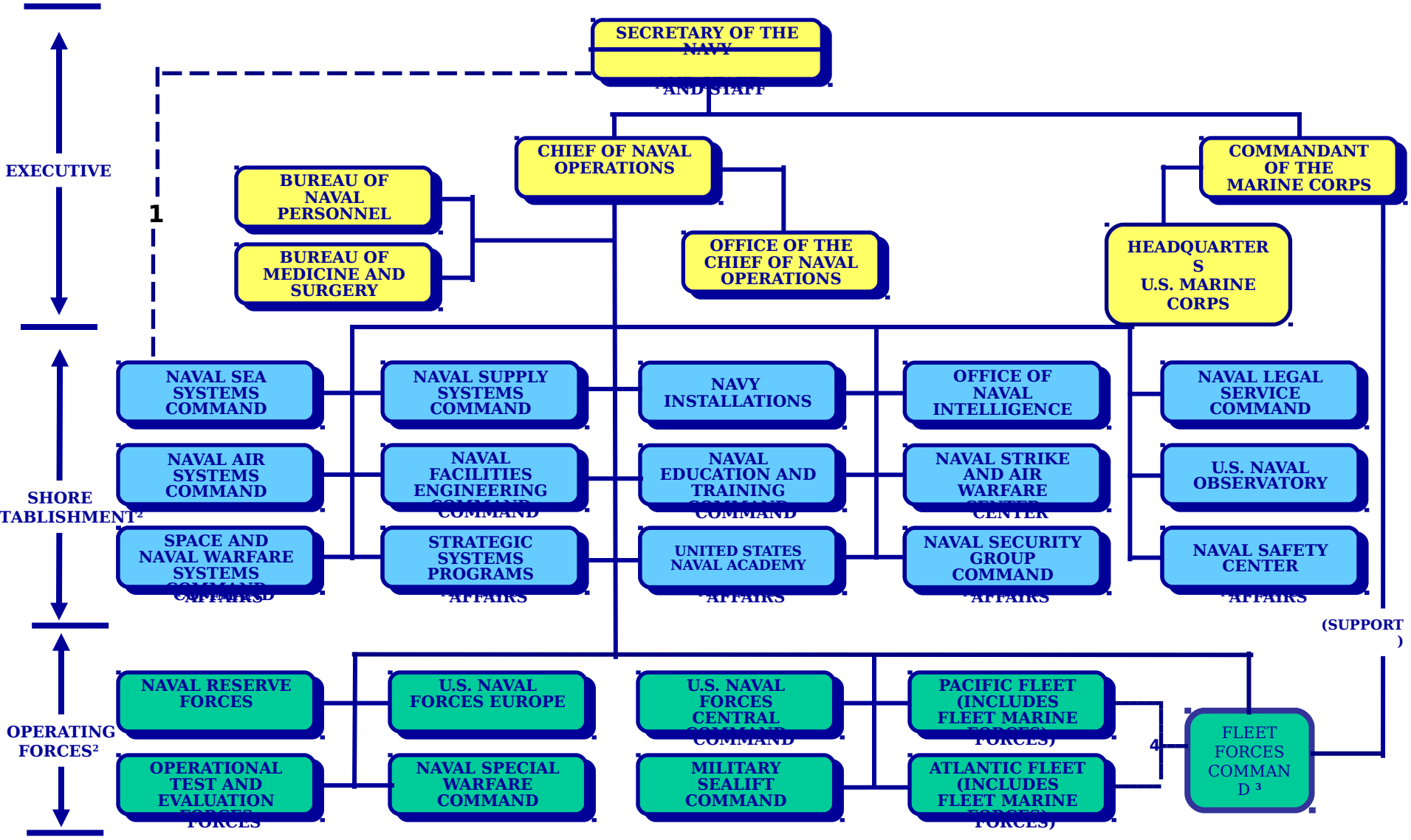
Organization of the Department of the Navy



¹ SYSTEMS COMMANDS AND SSP REPORT TO ASN(RDA) FOR ACQUISITION MATTERS
² ALSO INCLUDES OTHER ECHELON 2 COMMANDS AND SUBORDINATE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE COMMAND OR SUPERVISION OF THE DESIGNATED ORGANIZATIONS
³ ADDITIONAL DUTY FOR COMMANDER, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET
⁴ FOR INTERDEPLOYMENT TRAINING CYCLE PURPOSES, FLEET FORCES COMMAND CONTROLS LANTFLT AND PACFLT ASSETS

GOLDWATER-NICHOLS PROVISIONS

- STRICT NUMERICAL CEILING OF 2866 PERSONNEL TO BE ASSIGNED TO SECNAV, OPNAV AND HQ, USMC
- SOLE SECRETARIAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR:
  - ACQUISITION
  - AUDITING
  - COMPTROLLER
  - INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
  - INSPECTOR GENERAL
  - LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS
  - PUBLIC AFFAIRS
  - RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT (LESS DETERMINATION OF MILITARY REQUIREMENTS AND TEST AND EVALUATION)
- LIMITED OPNAV TO NO MORE THAN FIVE DCNOs AND THREE ACNOs

THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS (CNO) – ORIGIN

THE POSITION OF CNO -- ESTABLISHED BY PROVISION ATTACHED TO THE NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL PASSED BY CONGRESS 3 MARCH 1915

ROLES OF THE CNO

- **SENIOR MILITARY OFFICER OF THE DON (EXCEPT ONE WHO IS CHAIRMAN OR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE JCS)**
- **PRINCIPAL NAVAL ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO SECNAV ON THE CONDUCT OF WAR**
- **PRINCIPAL NAVAL ADVISOR AND NAVAL EXECUTIVE TO SECNAV ON THE CONDUCT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE DON**
- **NAVY MEMBER OF THE JCS**

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CNO

- **PLANNING FOR SUPPORT OF THE OPERATING FORCES**
- **ORGANIZING AND TRAINING NAVY FORCES**
- **SUPPORTING COMBATANT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS ASSIGNED TO NAVY**
- **MAINTAINING A SEA TRANSPORTATION SERVICE FOR DOD**
- **DIRECTING THE NAVAL RESERVE**
- **PROVIDING FOR MILITARY ADMINISTRATION**
- **EXERCISING AREA COORDINATION OF SHORE ACTIVITIES**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS (OPNAV) – ORIGIN

- FIRST ESTABLISHED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 9635 OF 29 SEPTEMBER 1945
- ACT OF 5 MARCH 1948
- "RECENT" MAJOR CHANGES TO OPNAV ORGANIZATION INCLUDE
  - DOD REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1986 (GOLDWATER-NICHOLS)
  - 1992 REORGANIZATION – ALIGNED THE OPNAV STAFF ACCORDING TO THE JOINT STAFF ORGANIZATION
  - OCT 2000 ALIGNMENT WHICH
    - SEPARATED REQUIREMENTS FROM RESOURCES;
    - ESTABLISHED A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR FLEET READINESS;
    - IMPROVED FOCUS ON TRAINING INTEGRATION OF NAVY REQUIREMENTS; AND
    - ESTABLISHED INCREASED VISIBILITY FOR WARFARE PROGRAMS AND REQUIREMENTS.

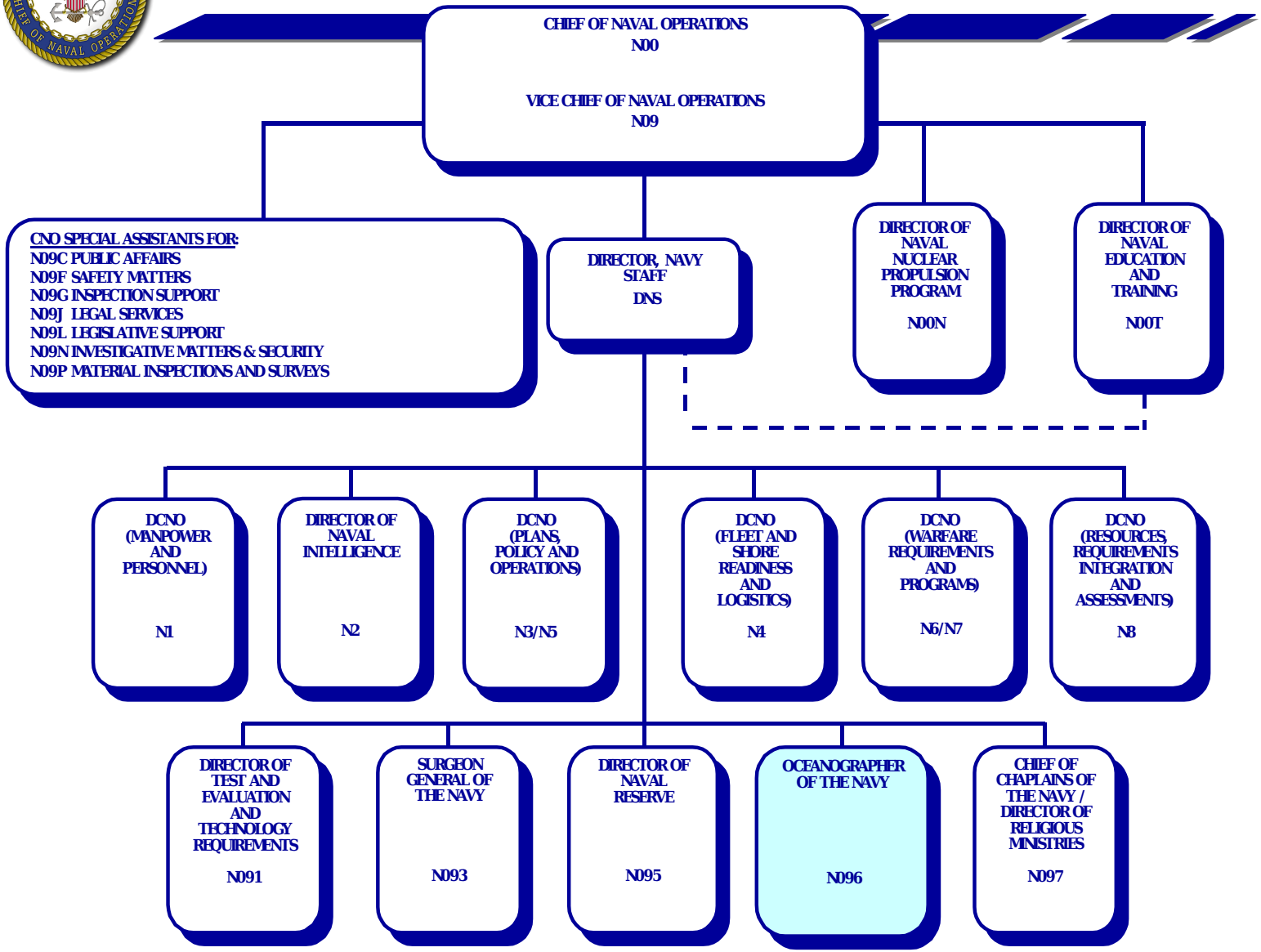
MISSION

AS THE STAFF OF CNO, OPNAV'S MISSION IS TO ADVISE AND ASSIST SECNAV AND CNO IN DISCHARGING THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.

COMPOSITION

- CONSISTS OF CNO, VCNO, DNS, DCNOs, DIRECTORS OF MAJOR OFFICES, SPECIAL ASSISTANTS TO CNO, AND THEIER RESPECTIVE STAFFS
- COLLECTIVELY, THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE REFERRED TO AS OPNAV PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS (OPOs). MOST OPOs (EXCEPT FOR THE SPECIAL ASSISTANTS) ARE

Office of the Chief of Naval Operations



SHORE & FLEET ORGANIZATION

SHORE COMMANDS
OPERATING FORCES

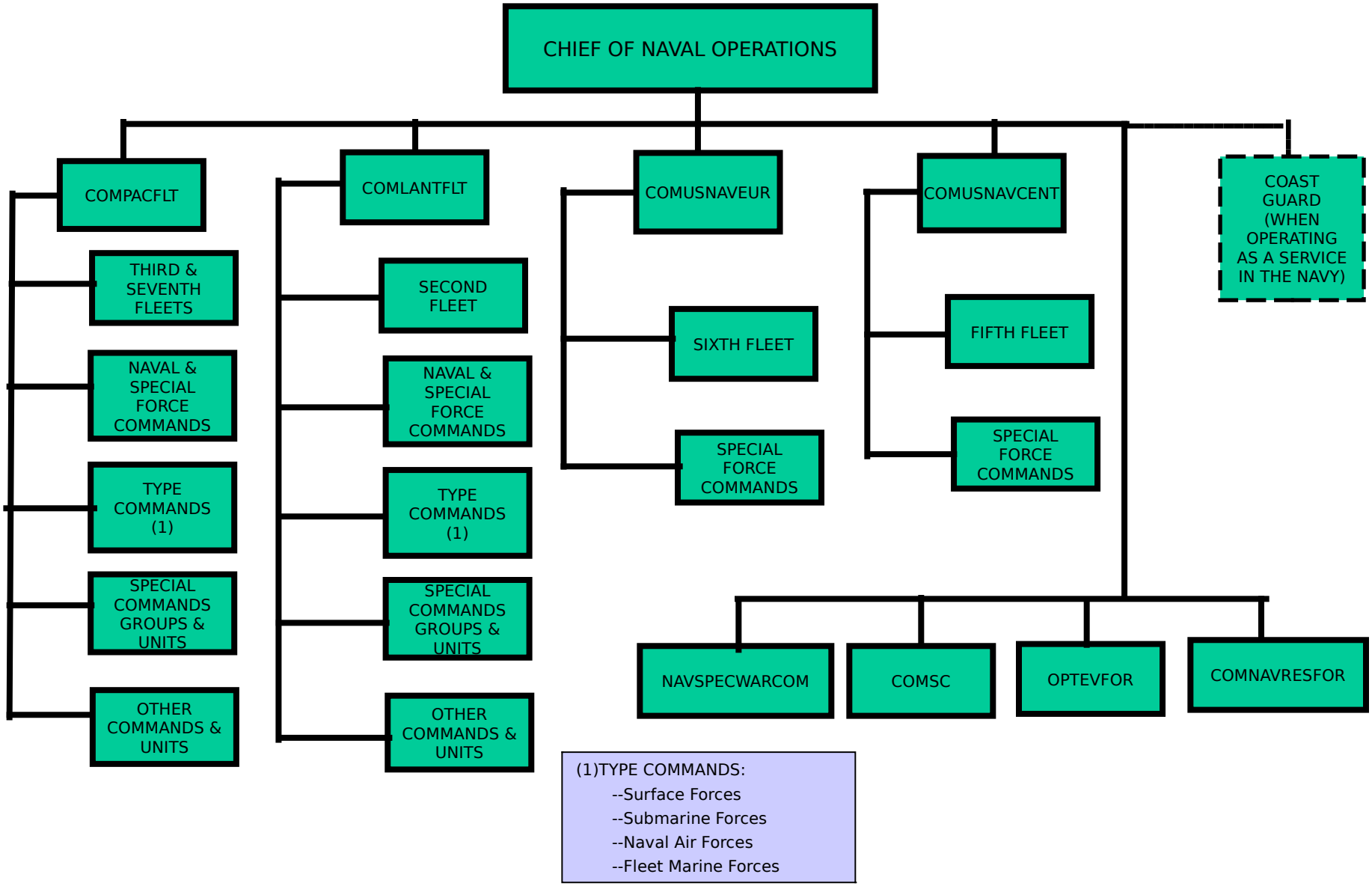
Echelons in the Navy

Echelon 1	**Chief of Naval Operations**	
	Fleet	**Shore**
Echelon 2	Fleet Commanders & Other Fleet Activities (handout)	SYSCOMS & Other Shore Activities (handout)
Echelon 3	Force/Type Commanders	Navy Regions
	Numbered Fleets	
	Force	
	Group	
	Wing	
Echelon 4	Squadron (Air/Surface)	Naval Bases
		Naval Stations
		Naval Facilities
Echelon 5	Ship	

Echelons in the Navy

	Fleet Examples		Shore Examples	
Echelon				
1	Chief of Naval Operations	Chief of Naval Operations	Chief of Naval Operations	Chief of Naval Operations
2	U.S. Pacific Fleet	Military Sealift Command	Commander Naval Sea Systems Command	Naval Education and Training Command
3	Submarine Force Pacific Fleet	COMSEALOGLANT	Commander Naval Surface Warfare Center Arlington, VA	Commander Naval Personnel Development Command Norfolk, VA
4	Submarine Squadron 1	COMSPRON ONE	Commander Dahlgren Division Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren, VA	Commanding Officer Naval Technical Training Center Meridian, MS
5	USS Buffalo (SSN 715)		Commanding Office Combat Direction Systems Activity Dam Neck Virginia Beach, VA	Commanding Office Marine Aviation Training Support Group Meridian, MS

THE OPERATING FORCES OF THE NAVY
Administrative Chain of Command



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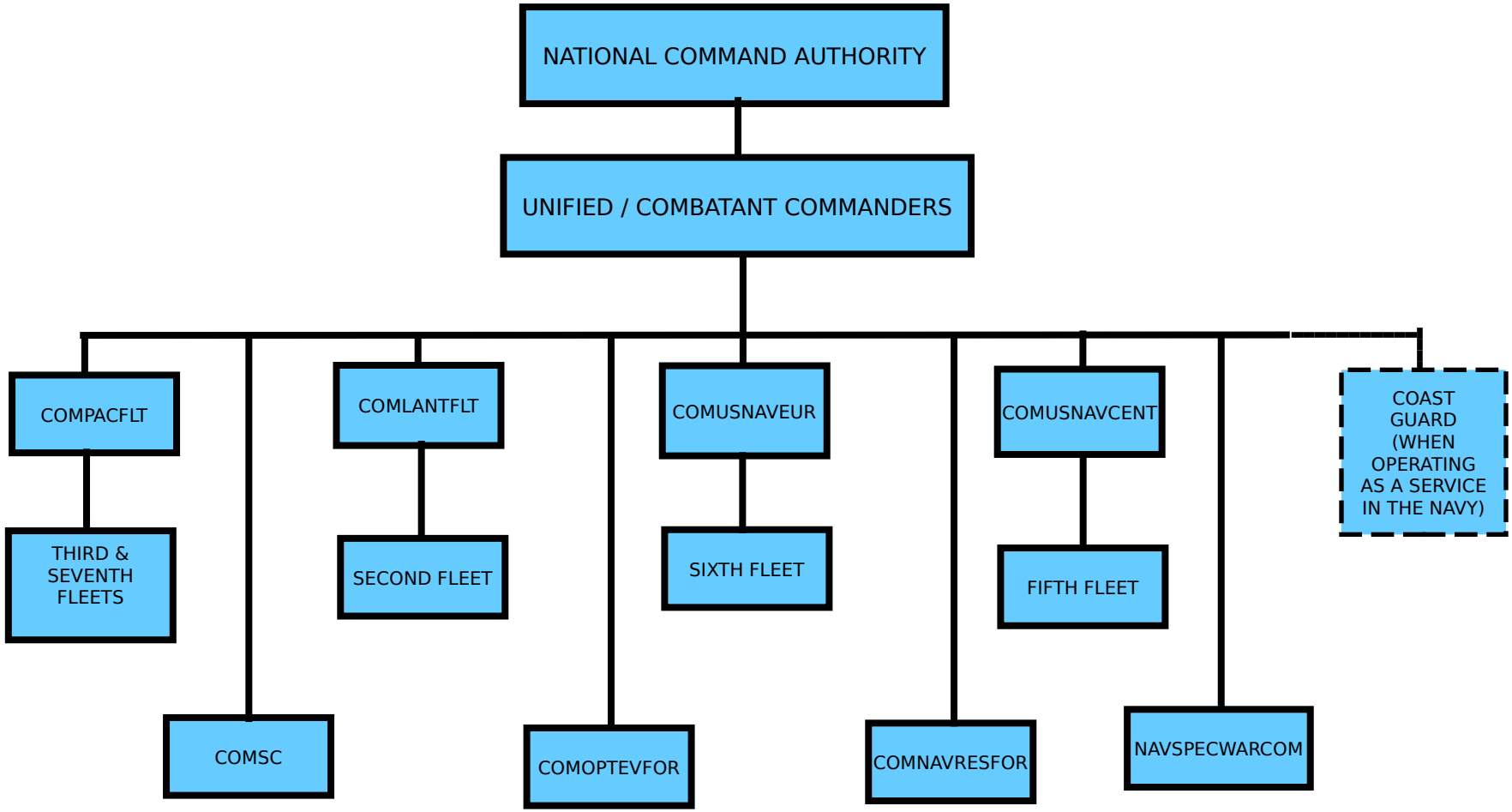

RELATIONSHIPS

- With Office of the Secretary of the Navy and Staff Offices
- With CNO Echelon 2 commands
- With Headquarters Marine Corps

RELATIONSHIP
with SECNAV

- Principal Military Advisor assignment to one of the Assistant Secretaries
- Provide direct and independent professional military advice, analysis & assistance to the ASN

PMA ASSIGNMENTS

- ASN (M&RA):
  - N1, N3/N5 plus
  - COMNAVRESFOR, SURGEON GENERAL, & NETC (all 3 are ADDU or PRIDU OPNAV)
- ASN (FM&C)
  - N8, N6/N7 (PPBES)
- ASN (I&E)
  - N4, N1 (Strategic Sourcing, A-76)
- ASN (RD&A)
  - N4, N6/N7

RELATIONSHIP WITH SHORE ACTIVITIES

- **COMMAND**
  - **DIRECTION AND CONTROL**
  - **OPERATING EFFICIENCY**
  - **MISSION PERFORMANCE**
  - **ACTIVITY DEVELOPMENT**
  - **WORKLOAD**
- **SUPPORT**
  - **RESOURCES**
  - **GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE**
  - **EVALUATING PERFORMANCE**
- **ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE**
  - **STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES**
  - **PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL ADVICE, GUIDANCE & ASSISTANCE**
  - **PERFORMING SPECIALIZED ADMINISTRATIVE OR TECHNICAL FUNCTIONS AS A SERVICE**
  - **CONTROL OF SERVICE-WIDE SYSTEMS**

RELATIONSHIP WITH SHORE ACTIVITIES

- **COMMAND ASSIST OFFICIAL (CAO)**
  - Lead OPNAV Principal Official designated for each Echelon 2 activity under the command of CNO.
  - Functional relationship
  - Provide advice and assistance to CNO and the echelon 2
  - Assist CNO in recognizing the level of performance of the heads of assigned activities
  - Not an ISIC for mast appeals, UCMJ Article 138 complaints
  - Not a court martial convening authority

Command Assist Official Assignments

- VCNO
  - 3 FLEET COMMANDERS
  - 3 SYSCOMS (NAVSEA, NAVAIR, SPAWAR)
  - Any Echelon 2 dual-hatted as an OPNAV Principal Official
    - Board of Inspection and Survey
    - Naval Education and Training Command
    - Bureau of Medicine & Surgery
    - Bureau of Naval Personnel
    - Naval Reserve Force
    - Naval Safety Center

Command Assist Official Assignments (con't)

- DNS (Director, Navy Staff)
  - Naval Academy
  - Naval District Washington
  - Field Support Activity
  - Naval Historical Center
  - Naval Postgraduate School
  - Naval War College
- N2 (Director of Naval Intelligence)
  - Office of Naval Intelligence
  - Naval Security Group Command

Command Assist Official Assignments

(cont'd)

- N3/N5 (DCNO (Plans, Policy and Operations))
  - U.S. Naval Forces Central Command
  - Naval Special Warfare Command

- N4 (DCNO (Fleet Readiness and Logistics))
  - Military Sealift Command
  - Naval Facilities Engineering Command
  - Naval Supply Systems Command
  - (Navy Installations)

- N6/N7 (DCNO (Warfare Requirements and Programs))
  - Strategic Systems Programs
  - Strike and Air Warfare Center

Command Assist Official Assignments (con't)

- N091 (Director of Test and Evaluation and Technology Requirements)
  - Operational Test and Evaluation Force
- N096 (Oceanographer of the Navy)
  - Naval Observatory
- N09J (Special Assistant for Legal Services)
  - Naval Legal Service Command

Navy – Marine Corps Counterparts

N1----------M&RA

N2----------DIR, INTEL

N3/N5----------PP&O

N4----------MCCDC, DC I&L

N6/N7----------DIR C4, P&R,

MCCDC

N78----------DC AVN

N8----------P&R

DNS----------DMCS